#### VIA ECFS

June 29, 2015

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of Secretary 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S. W. Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Submission of information Pursuant to FCC 54.313 Rules and Request for Confidential Treatment – ETC Annual Reports and Certifications WC Docket No. 1458

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In accordance with the annual reporting requirements of 47 C.F.R. §§54.313 and 54.422, Blossom Telephone Company, Inc. ("Blossom"), Texas, Study Area Code 442038, is submitting a completed FCC Form 481 to the Commission via its Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) in WC Docket No. 1458. Blossom, by its authorized representative, hereby requests confidential treatment of two attachments to its FCC Form 481: (1) the five-year service quality improvement plan identified on Form 100, Line 112 and (2) the financial annual report identified on Form 3005, both of which were redacted in the ECFS submission. The request for confidential treatment of the five-year plan is being made pursuant to section 0.459 of the Commission's rules and Exemption 4 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). The request for confidential treatment of the financial annual report is being made pursuant to the FCC's June 17, 2015 Protective Order in WC Docket No. 1458. These attachments contain competitively sensitive data that Blossom maintains as confidential and does not normally make available to the public. Release of this information would have a substantial negative impact on the Company.

Blossom is also transmitting the following information to the Commission in compliance with C.F.R. §§54.313 and 54.422:

- Submission to the Office of the Secretary, this cover letter and the Form 481 filing which includes the confidential information that is being requested to be withheld from public inspection. Confidential information has been designated in accordance with Confidentiality guidelines and the Protective Order.
- Two copies of the Form 481 filing in redacted form and an accompanying cover letter are also being provided with the confidential filing.
- Two copies of this cover letter and the Form 481 filing with the confidential information are also being delivered to Mr. Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau.

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The confidential information has also been submitted to the Universal Service Administrative Company through its E-File system as an attachment to the FCC Form 481. Blossom requests that the information contained in its five-year service quality improvement plan be withheld from public inspection because it contains competitively sensitive commercial and financial information that the Company keeps confidential. Public availability of this information would have a substantial negative impact on the Company. Blossom offers the following information pursuant to section 0.459 of the Commission's rules and Exemption 4 of FOIA in support of this request:

- (1) Identification of the specific information for which confidential treatment is sought:
  - Attachment to Line 112 of FCC Form 481 Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan. Specifically, confidential treatment is sought for all information in the five-year plan related to the Company's future network plans and information concerning future services provided to customers.
- (2) Identification of the Commission proceeding in which the information was submitted or a description of the circumstances giving rise to the submission:
  - The information was submitted in WC Docket Nos. 10-90 and 11-42 as an attachment to FCC Form 481- the Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection Form. Section 100 of FCC Form 481 requires incumbent local exchange carriers receiving high cost support to attach a five-year service quality improvement plan, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§54.202(a)(1)(ii) and 54.313(a)(1).
- (3) Explanation of the degree to which the information is commercial or financial, or contains a trade secret or is privileged:
  - The five-year service quality improvement plan contains information on the Company's future plans, number of customers served and other planning information that company does not make publicly available.
- (4) Explanation of the degree to which the information concerns a service that is subject to competition:
  - Broadband is subject to increasing competition in the areas served by rural, rateof-return incumbent local exchange carriers (RLECs). Virtually all RLECs face competition from one or more Internet service providers.
- (5) Explanation of how disclosure of the information could result in substantial competitive harm:
  - Disclosure of the information contained in the five-year plan would provide competitors with detailed, granular information regarding the Company's strategic plans. This would provide competitors access to confidential information they could employ to develop their own plans a particular service area. This could cause competitive harm to the Company.
- (6) Identification of any measures taken by the submitting party to prevent unauthorized disclosure:

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The Company has continually treated information regarding its network and service plans as confidential and carefully controls the information to protect it from competitors.

(7) Identification of whether the information is available to the public and the extent of any previous disclosure of the information to third parties:

The redacted information in the five-year plan is not available to the public, and third party access is limited as described in (6) above.

(8) Justification of the period during which the submitting party asserts that material should not be available for public disclosure:

The Company requests that the extracted information be withheld from public inspection indefinitely. The five year planning period information would provide valuable information to competitors for several years beyond that period.

(9) Any other information that the party seeking confidential information treatment believes may be useful in assessing whether its request for confidentiality should be granted:

Exemption 4 of FOIA shields from public disclosure commercial or financial information obtained from a person that is privileged or confidential. Based on the responses provided above, the information in question satisfies this test.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Tim Morrissey President 314-605-9220

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#### Enclosures

cc: Mr. Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, (2 hardcopies of confidential submission)

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| FCCFor         | m 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting<br>Data Collection Form  |   | FCC Form 481<br>OMB Control No. 3060-<br>July 2013 | -0986⊡OMB Control I                      | No. 3060-0819                           |
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| <039>          | Contact Email Address:<br>Email of the person identified in data line <\u00e430> Clint@blossomtel.net               | =   |  |  |   |
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| <100>          | Service Quality Improvement Reporting   | (complete attached wo                             | rksheet)   | <b>✓</b>                                 |   |
|                | Outage Reporting (voice)  | (complete attached wo                             | rksheet)   | ✓  | ✓                                       |
| <210>          | check box if no outages to report   |   |  | ✓  | 111111                                  |
| <300>          | Unfulfilled Service Requests (voice)  |   |  |  |   |
| <310>          | Detail on Attempts (voice)  |   |  |  |   |
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| <320>          | Unfulfilled Service Requests (broadband)  |   | $\neg$   | ✓  |   |
| <330>          | Detail on Attempts (broadband)  |   |  |  |   |
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| <420>          | Mobile 0.0  |   |  |  |   |
| <430><br><440> | Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (broadband)  Fixed   |   |  | ✓  |   |
| <450>          | Mobile 0.0  |   |  |  |   |
| <500>          | Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance  [442038TX510.pdf]                                 | (check to indicate cert                           | ification)   | ✓  | ✓                                       |
| -E10>          | 4420301X310.pdf   |   |  |  |   |
| <510>          |   | (attached descriptiv                              | ve document)                                       | <b>√</b>                                 | <b>√</b>                                |
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| <600>          | Functionality in Emergency Stuations  | (check to indicate cert                           | ification)   | ✓  | ✓                                       |
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|                |   | (attached descriptive d                           | ocument)   |  |   |
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|                | Company Price Offerings (voice)   | (complete attached wo                             | orksheet)  |  |   |
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|                | Voice Services Pate Comparability Certification   |   | ,  | ✓  |   |
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| Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>     Clint@blossomtel.net      Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC? (yes / no )     If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5     year plan" filed with the FCC? (yes / no )      If your answer to Line <111> is yes, then you are required to file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.      Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 CF.R § 54.313(a)(1). If your company is a   |   |
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| CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.  |   |
| Name of Attached Document  The assessed the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to §54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.   |   |
| <113> Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets Yes  |   |
| <114> Report how much universal service (USF) support was received Yes  |   |
| <115> How much (USF) was used to improve service quality and how support was used to improve service quality Yes  |   |
| <116> How much (USF) was used to improve service coverage and how support was used to improve service coverage Yes  |   |
| <117> How much (USF) was used to improve service capacity and how support was used to improve service capacity Yes  |   |
| <118> Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.  Not Applicable   |   |

| (200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice) | FCCForm 481   |
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| Data Collection Form                   | OMB Control No. 3060-0986 OMB Control No. 3060-0819 |
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| (710) Broadband Price Offerings | FCCForm 481  |
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| <810> | Reporting Carrier                 | BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.                       |                      |  |
| <811> | Holding Company                   | Blossom Telephone Co., Inc.                           |                      |  |
| <812> | Operating Company                 | BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.                       |                      |  |

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| ·     | Affiliates | SAC           | Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation |
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| 900) Tribal Lands Reporting<br>ata Collection Form    |   |    | FCC Fo<br>OMB C<br>July 20                         | ontrol No.  | . 3060-0986/OMB Control No | . 3060-0819 |  |
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| <010><br><015><br><020><br><030>                      | Study Area Code Study Area Name Program Year Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data  |    | 442038<br>BLOSSOM TEL CO<br>2016                   |             |                            |             |  |
| <035><br><039>  | Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line   |    | Clint DORRIES 9039825200 ext. Clint@blossomtel.net |             |                            |             |  |
| <910>   | Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves  |    |  |             |                            |             |  |
| <920>   | Tribal Government Engagement Obligation   |    | Name of Atta                                       | ached Docum | ent                        |             |  |
| to confi  | ompany serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes on the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, trates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to 8(a)(9) includes:  | Ye | Select<br>s or No or<br>of Applicable              |             |                            |             |  |
| <921> <922> <923> <924> <925> <926> <927> <928> <928> | Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions. Feasibility and sustainability planning; Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner; Compliance with Rights of way processes Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements Compliance with Facilities Siting rules Compliance with Environmental Review processes Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements. |    |  |             |                            |             |  |

|        | lo Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting<br>Ilection Form   |                      | FCC Form 481<br>OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819<br>July 2013 |
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| <015>  | Study Area Name  | BLOSSOM TEL CO       |  |
| <020>  | Program Year   | 2016                 |  |
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| <035>  | Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>  | 9039825200 ext.      |  |
| <039>  | Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>  | Clint@blossomtel.net |  |
| <1120> | Please confirm whether terrestrial backhaul options exist within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g) (Yes, No).   | а                    |  |
| <1130> | Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g). | i kbps               |  |
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| Lifeline  | rms and Condition for Lifeline Customers<br>ection Form   |          | FCC Form 481<br>OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819<br>July 2013 |  |
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| <035>     | Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data li   |          |  |  |
| <039>     | Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data li   | ne <030> | O> Clint@blossomtel.net  |  |
| <1210>    | Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans  |          | 442038TX1210.pdf   |  |
| <1220>    | Link to Public Website  | НТТР     | Name of Attached Document  |  |
| or the we | neck these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1 bsite listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to (a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must report: |          |  |  |
| <1221>    | Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,   | <b>✓</b> |  |  |
| <1222>    | Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,  | <b>/</b> |  |  |
| <1223>    | Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.  | <b>/</b> |  |  |
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| Data Collection Form   Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers   July 2013   | I No. 2000 0000 (OMB Control No. 2000 0010         |
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| <2016> Certification Support Used to Build Broadband   |  |
|  |  |
| Connect America Phase II Reporting (47 CFR § 54.313(e))  |  |
| <2017> 3rd year Broadband Service Certification  |  |
| <2018 Sth year Broadband Service Certification   |  |
| <2019> Interim Progress Certification  |  |
| <2020 Please check the box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 2021, contains the required information pursuant to \$5.4.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAP Phase II support shall provide the number, names, and   |  |
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| CHECK t | he boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursuan  | t to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring c                                   | ompliance with the financial                        | reporting requirements set forth in |
|         | CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that th   | e information reported on this form and in the documents attache  | ed below is accurate.                               |                                     |
|         |   | 442038TX3010.pdf  |   |                                     |
| (2010)  | Progress Report on 5 Year Plan  |   |   |                                     |
| (3010)  | Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i))  |   |   |                                     |
|         | Wilestone Certification (47 CFN § 54.515(1)(1)(1))  |   |   |                                     |
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| (3011)  | Please check this box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3 $\S$ 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), the carrier shall provide the number, names, and addreproviding access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year. | 012 contains the required information pursuant to esses of community anchor institutions to which began | ✓   |                                     |
|         |   | 442038TX112.pdf   |   |                                     |
|         |   |   |   |                                     |
| (3012)  | Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)}   |   |   |                                     |
|         |   |   |   |                                     |
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| (2012)  | Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2))  | (Yes/No)  | )()   |                                     |
|         | If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report  | (Yes/No)  | \ <i>\</i>  |                                     |
|         |   |   |   |                                     |
| Please  | check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3017  | , contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2   | ) compliance requires:                              |                                     |
| (3015)  | Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for   |   | ✓   |                                     |
|         | Telecommunications Borrowers)   |   | 4   |                                     |
| (3016)  | Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cast   | sh Flows  | <b>✓</b>  |                                     |
|         |   | 442038TX3017.pdf  |   |                                     |
|         |   | 1120001110017.pdf   |   |                                     |
| (3017)  | If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual   |   |   |                                     |
|         | report and all required documentation   |   |   |                                     |
|         |   | Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information  |   |                                     |
|         |   |   | $\sim$  |                                     |
| (3018)  | If the response is no on line 3014, Is your company audited?  | (Yes/No)  |   |                                     |
|         | If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to  |   |   |                                     |
|         | confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains  |   |   |                                     |
| (3019)  | Éither a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a fo   | rmat comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunication   |   |                                     |
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| (3020)  | Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Ca   | ash Flows   | <u></u>   |                                     |
| (3021)  | Management letter and audit opinion issued by the independent certified pu  | iblic accountant that performed the company's financial audit   |   |                                     |
|         | If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below  |   |   |                                     |
|         | to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:  |   |   |                                     |
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|         | independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a  |   |   |                                     |
|         | format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications  |   |   |                                     |
|         | Borrowers,  |   |   |                                     |
| (3023)  | Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified  |   | =   |                                     |
|         | public accountant   |   |   |                                     |
| (3024)  | Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.   |   |   |                                     |
| (3025)  | Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Ca   | sh Flows  |   |                                     |
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(3026) Attach the worksheet listing required information

| (3000) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued) | FCC Form 481  |
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| Financial Data Summary                  |         |
|---|---------|
| (3027) Revenue                          | 2117395 |
| , ,                                     | 1974860 |
| (3028) Operating Expenses               | 1974800 |
| (3029) Net Income                       | 52375   |
| (3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS) | 8383660 |
| (3031) Total Assets                     | 9958756 |
| (3032) Total Debt                       | 4422180 |
| (3033) Total Equity                     | 3359261 |
| (3034) Dividends                        | 0       |
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| Certification - Reporting Carrier<br>Data Collection Form |   | FCC Form 481<br>OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819<br>July 2013 |
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#### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

# Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients L certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate. Name of Reporting Carrier: Signature of Authorized Officer: Date Printed name of Authorized Officer: Title or position of Authorized Officer: Telephone number of Authorized Officer: Filing Due Date for this form: Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

| Certification - Agent / Carrier | FCC Form 481  |
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#### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

| Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier  |  |  |
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| I certify that (Name of Agent) <u>Joyce Dorries</u><br>also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilitie<br>agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to | is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I<br>is include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized<br>the authorized agent is accurate. |  |
| Name of Authorized Agent: Joyce Dorries  |  |  |
| Name of Reporting Carrier: BLOSSOM TEL CO  |  |  |
| Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE  | Date: 06/29/2015   |  |
| Printed name of Authorized Officer: Joyce Dorries  |  |  |
| Title or position of Authorized Officer: Vice President  |  |  |
| Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 9039825200 ext.  |  |  |
| Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 442038   | Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2015  |  |
|  | ine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.   |  |

#### TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

#### Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier

I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.

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| Name of Reporting Carrier: BLOSSOM TEL CO   |                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: TOM KARALIS  |                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: CERTIFIED ONLINE  | Date: 06/29/2015 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: TOM KARALIS  |                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent CONSULTANT   |                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: 9182981618 ext.  | ·                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| <701>     | Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date 1/1/.                      | 2015                      |  |  |  |  |
| <702>     | Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge                         |                           |  |  |  |  |

FCC Form 481

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(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data

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| State     | Exchange (ILEC) | SAC (CETC)  | Rate Type | Service Rate                | State Subscriber Line Charge | State Universal Service Fee | Service Charge                              | Total per line Rates and Fees |
| TX        | BLOSSOM         | , , , , , , | FR        | 14.0                        | 0.0                          | 0.68                        | 0.0   | 14.68                         |
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| (710) Broadband Price Offerings | FCC Form 481  |
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| ·     | State     | Exchange (ILEC) | Residential<br>Rate | State Regulated<br>Fees | Total Rates<br>and Fees |           | Broadband Service<br>-Upload Speed (Mbps) | Usage Allowance<br>(GB) | Usage Allowance<br>Action Taken<br>When Limit Reached {select} |
|       | TX        | BLOSSOM         | 39.95               | 0.0                     | 39.95                   | 1.0       | 0.256                                     | 100.0                   | Other, NEVER REACHED   |
|       | TX        | BLOSSOM         | 44.95               | 0.0                     | 44.95                   | 3.0       | 0.256                                     | 100.0                   | Other, NEVER REACHED   |
|       | TX        | BLOSSOM         | 49.95               | 0.0                     | 49.95                   | 5.0       | 0.512                                     | 100.0                   | Other, NEVER REACHED   |
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| <810>         | Reporting Carrier          | BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.                      |                      |
| <811>         | Holding Company            | Blossom Telephone Co., Inc.                          |                      |
| ∠912 <b>\</b> | Operating Company          | BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.                      |                      |

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(800) Operating Companies

Data Collection Form

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|       | Affiliates | SAC       | Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation |
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# BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. FIVE YEAR SERVICE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN (USAC DOCUMENT - 442038TX112.PDF)

TITLE 47 § 54.313 (a) (1) Progress Report

Due: July 1st, 2015

Company Name: Blossom Telephone Company

Company Headquarters: Blossom, Texas

#### **Narrative**



Due: July 1st, 2015

TITLE 47 § 54.313 (a) (1) Progress Report

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# BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. QUALITY OF SERVICE AND CUSTOMER PROTECTION PROCESS (USAC DOCUMENT - 442038TX510.PDF)

# BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY QUALITY OF SERVICE & CUSTOMER PROTECTION PROCESSES

- Available Customer Service Representatives to Answer Phones All calls received by BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY during business hours are answered by the third ring. When the assigned customer representatives are unable to answer calls by the third ring, additional representatives are available to help answer phones.
- 2. Provide After Hours Emergency Customer Service Calls are answered within 60 seconds. Call logs are reviewed daily by personnel. Customer service representatives have been given a list of questions by BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY to ask to assist them in resolving any issues. Unresolved issues are reviewed the following work day. Issues requiring immediate attention are sent to the BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY service technician on call, who works to resolve the matter as quickly as possible. If that technician is unable to resolve the problem, additional technicians are called. After-hours customer service is also available.
- Provide a 24/7 Hour Internet Help Desk Service All calls are answered within 60 seconds. Call logs are reviewed daily by personnel with Managers available to review and address any issues.
- 4. Give Customers Cut-off Warnings & Provide Bill Arrangement Opportunities Customers are given two months of missed payments before being cut off. Notification of the payment due date and the cut-off date are prominently displayed on bills as well as of the opportunity to make payment arrangements to avoid being cut-off. Customers in danger of losing service will receive a call from a customer service representative to remind them of the late payment. If a customer complains that notice was not given, they are directed to speak with the Office Manager who will work to resolve the matter and prevent it from occurring again. Account balance reports are printed monthly internally using the company's billing system.
- 5. Ensure That All New Service Installation Orders Are Fulfilled Promptly All customers are contacted within 48 hours regarding scheduling the new service installation. If outside plant is already in place, fill the order at the customers' earliest convenience; if outside plant is in not in place, fill the order as soon as the weather permits.
- 6. **Minimize Customer Downtime for Services & Make Requested Changes Promptly** Contact customers regarding all service requests the same day, with a goal of resolving all issues within 48 hours. Any unresolved issues will be resolved contingent on the technician/customer coordination of access to the premises.

7. Proactively Monitoring in Case of Major Service Outages – Service technicians will be made aware of outages affecting customers within an hour. It is the goal of BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY to resolve major outages in four hours or less. If an outage has not been resolved within four hours, technicians will begin utilizing all resources, both from within and from without. Technicians establish and accomplish yearly training goals to be better equipped for managing all services.

#### **CUSTOMER PRIVACY**

**Company Confidential Information Policy** – BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY has a company policy in place that holds employees accountable for a breach of confidentiality concerning customer data and company information. The policy states: "You are reminded that revealing any type of confidential information to unauthorized persons or tampering with or altering company records and/or property is a violation of trust that can result in disciplinary action up to and including discharge."

Company CPNI Policy – BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY also has a Customer Proprietary Network Information (CPNI) policy in place that ensures employee compliance with the FCC's CPNI guidelines. Outlined within the policy is a detailed description of CPNI as well as both acceptable and unacceptable CPNI practices. Employees are required to sign waivers stating they understand and agree to comply with the policy and acknowledge that "failure to protect this information result in disciplinary action up to and including discharge for the responsible employee."

As a part of this policy, BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY has designated a Compliance Officer responsible for training employees, monitoring CPNI related activities, and reporting breaches.

#### **BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.**

#### EMERGENCY SITUATION FUNCTIONALITY – AVAILABILITY OF BACK UP POWER

(USAC DOCUMENT - 442038TX610.PDF)

# BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY EMERGENCY SITUATION FUNCTIONALITY AVAILABILITY OF BACK-UP POWER

BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY has one central office within its service area. This location is equipped with a back-up generator capable of providing power to the equipment within that office in the event of an external power source outage. After each power outage, generator is inspected and is also professionally serviced bi-annually to ensure functionality.

In addition, BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY has installed back-up batteries on the customer premise equipment. Multiple back-up batteries have been installed at home of those with special needs. Spare batteries are kept at BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY's main office for replacement of batteries at customer homes in the event of a prolonged power outage.

#### TRAFFIC ROUTING

Voice traffic between the central office switch and remote switches is carried across fiber allowing continued service if one route is interrupted. Voice traffic between the central office switch and the upstream tandem is also provisioned across fiber.

#### **MANAGING TRAFFIC SPIKES**

BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY'S careful capacity planning has put multiple constraints and triggers in place on its Central Office equipment, outside plant equipment, and network backbone that will provide the company with the capability of handling traffic spikes during emergency situations.

- Usage rates are analyzed monthly internally by BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY using reports automatically generated by the switch to ensure that usage does not exceed 90% of total line capacity.
- BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY will monitor traffic internally on a monthly basis to ensure optimal efficiency.

BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

VOICE SERVICES RATE COMPARABILITY

(USAC DOCUMENT - 442038TX1010.PDF)

# Voice Services Rate Comparability

#### **Blossom Telephone Company**

In compliance with the 54.313 Rules, Blossom Telephone Company must certify that its current rate for fixed voice services is no more than two standard deviations above the national average urban rate for voice service.

According to the 2015 Urban Rate Survey conducted by the FCC's Wireline Competition Bureau, the weighted average unlimited local rate is \$21.22. USAC Guidelines provide that two standard deviations above the \$21.22 would be \$47.48.

The rates for Blossom shown on the Voice Pricing Form (0700) are below \$47.48.

Consequently, Blossom Telephone Company meets the above mentioned requirement.

#### **BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.**

#### **LIFELINE PLAN**

(USAC DOCUMENT - 442038TX1210.PDF)

#### **Public Notice**

Blossom Telephone Company is committed to bringing its customers quality telecommunications services at affordable rates throughout its service territory.

#### **Prices & Rates**

Single Party Residence Access Line \$14.00

Single Party Business Access Line \$15.50

(Rates do not include taxes, surcharges, or other fees that may be applicable, such as a subscriber line charge.)

Blossom Telephone Company provides telephony service which includes voice grade access to the public switched network, unlimited local calling within the customer's local calling area at no charge, access to emergency services, and toll blocking at no charge for qualifying low-income customers. Each local exchange access line comes with a free primary directory listing and each subscriber annually receives a telephone directory.

To make sure that our customers continuously receive quality service, any service problems can be reported to Blossom Telephone Company twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.

Basic services are offered at the rates, terms and conditions specified in Blossom Telephone Company's tariff on file with the Public Utility Commission of Texas. If you have questions regarding the Company's services or rates, please call 903-982-5200.

#### **DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE FOR LOW INCOME CUSTOMERS**

Blossom Telephone Company offers reduced rates to eligible low-income residential consumers under a government assistance program called Lifeline. Lifeline provides monthly discounts to an eligible customer's voice telephony service. Customers who are eligible for Lifeline are also eligible for toll blocking at no charge.

To be eligible for Lifeline a customer's annual household income must be at or below 150% of the federal poverty guidelines, or a customer must receive benefits from or have a child in the household who receives benefits from at least one of the following programs: Medicaid; Supplemental Nutrition Assistance(SNAP) (formerly Food Stamps); Supplemental Security Income (SSI); Federal Public Housing Assistance (FPHA); Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP); Temporary Assistance for Needy Families; National School Lunch Program's free lunch program; or health benefits coverage under the state Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). Lifeline service is limited to one discount per household. A household is everyone who lives in the home (including children and people who are not related to the customer) and shares income and household expenses (bills, food, etc.).

A customer with Lifeline service may not transfer the Lifeline benefit to any other person. Blossom's Lifeline service includes unlimited calling within the local service area as defined in Blossom Tariffs. Blossom's Lifeline customers have access to toll blocking service at no charge. If the Blossom Lifeline customer does not prescribe to toll blocking, toll charges will be assessed at rates assessed by the presubscribed long distance carrier.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Company's business office at (903)982-5200 or by contacting the Low-Income Discount Administrator (LIDA) at 1-866-454-8387 (1-866-4-LITE-UP).

# BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. MILESTONE CERTIFICATION

(USAC DOCUMENT - 442038TX3010.PDF)

Blossom Telephone Company certifies that, upon a reasonable request, it will provide Broadband services at actual speeds of 4Mbps downstream / 1Mbps upstream, with latency suitable for real-time applications, including VoIP and usage capacity that is reasonably comparable to urban areas and that requests for such services are met within a reasonable amount of time.

Due: July 1, 2015

BLOSSOM TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(USAC DOCUMENT - 442038TX3017.PDF)

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0572-0031. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 4 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

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| USDA-RUS  | 1                                |   | This data will be used by RUS to review your financial situation. You   | r response is required by 7 U | .S.C. 901 et seq. |  |  |
|   |                                  |   | and, subject to federal laws and regulations regarding confidential in  | formation, will be treated as | confidential.     |  |  |
|   |                                  |   | BORROWER NAME   |                               |                   |  |  |
| OPERATING REPORTED TELECOMMUNICATIONS   |                                  | s                                       | Blossom Telephone Company, Inc.   |                               |                   |  |  |
| INSTRUCTIONS-Submit report to RUS within 30 day.  | s after close of the ne          | riad                                    | PERIOD ENDING   | BORROWER DESIGNATION          | ON.               |  |  |
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| to the best of our knowledge and belief. ALL INSURANCE REQUIRED BY 7 RENEWALS HAVE BEEN OBTAINE | CFR PART 1788,<br>CD FOR ALL POI | CHAPTER XVII<br>LICIES.                 | ounts and other records of the system and reflect the stat<br>I, RUS, WAS IN FORCE DURING THE REPORTIN<br>PURSUANT TO PART 1788 OF 7CFR CHAPTER X                         | G PERIOD AND                  |                   |  |  |
|   |                                  | (Check one                              | of the following)   |                               |                   |  |  |
| All of the obligations under the RUS loan door have been fulfilled in all material respects.    | uments                           |   | There has been a default in the fulfillment of the obligation under the RUS loan documents. Said default(s) is/are specifically described in the Telecom Operating Report | e                             |                   |  |  |
|   |                                  | DATE                                    |   |                               |                   |  |  |
|   |                                  | PART A                                  | A. BALANCE SHEET  |                               |                   |  |  |
|   | BALANCE                          | BALANCE                                 |   | BALANCE                       | BALANCE           |  |  |
| ASSETS  | PRIOR YEAR                       | END OF PERIOD                           | LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY  | PRIOR YEAR                    | END OF PERIOD     |  |  |
| CURRENT ASSETS  |                                  | 000000000000000000000000000000000000000 | CURRENT LIABILITIES   |                               |                   |  |  |
| Cash and Equivalents  |                                  |   | 25. Accounts Payable  |                               |                   |  |  |
| 2. Cash-RUS Construction Fund   |                                  |   | 26. Notes Payable   |                               |                   |  |  |
| 3. Affiliates:  |                                  |   | 27. Advance Billings and Payments   |                               |                   |  |  |
| a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable   |                                  |   | 28. Customer Deposits   |                               |                   |  |  |
| b. Other Accounts Receivable  |                                  |   | 29. Current Mat. L/T Debt   |                               |                   |  |  |
| c. Notes Receivable   |                                  |   | 30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.   |                               |                   |  |  |
| 4. Non-Affiliates:  |                                  |   | 31. Current MatCapital Leases   |                               |                   |  |  |
| a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable   |                                  |   | 32. Income Taxes Accrued  |                               | ļ                 |  |  |
| b. Other Accounts Receivable  |                                  |   | 33. Other Taxes Accrued   |                               |                   |  |  |
| c. Notes Receivable   | _                                |   | 34. Other Current Liabilities   |                               |                   |  |  |
| 5. Interest and Dividends Receivable  | _                                |   | 35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)  | 86                            |                   |  |  |
| Material-Regulated  | _                                |   | LONG-TERM DEBT  |                               |                   |  |  |
| 7. Material-Nonregulated  | _                                |   | 36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes   |                               |                   |  |  |
| 8. Prepayments  | _                                |   | 37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes   |                               |                   |  |  |
| Other Current Assets  | _                                |   | 38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes   |                               |                   |  |  |
| 10. Total Current Assets (1 Thru 9)   | 888                              |   | 39. Funded Debt-Other   |                               | -                 |  |  |
| NONCURRENT ASSETS   |                                  |   | 40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop. Loan   |                               |                   |  |  |
| 11. Investment in Affiliated Companies  |                                  |   | 41. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt  |                               |                   |  |  |
| a. Rural Development  | _                                |   | 42. Reacquired Debt   |                               | -                 |  |  |
| b. Nonrural Development   |                                  |   | 43. Obligations Under Capital Lease   |                               | -                 |  |  |
| 12. Other Investments   |                                  |   | 44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies  |                               |                   |  |  |
| a. Rural Development  | _                                |   | 45. Other Long-Term Debt  |                               | -                 |  |  |
| b. Nonrural Development   | _                                |   | 46. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45)   |                               | +                 |  |  |
| 13. Nonregulated Investments  | _                                |   | OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS  |                               |                   |  |  |
| 14. Other Noncurrent Assets   | _                                |   | 47. Other Long-Term Liabilities   |                               | -                 |  |  |
| <ul><li>15. Deferred Charges</li><li>16. Jurisdictional Differences</li></ul>                   | _                                |   | Other Deferred Credits     Other Jurisdictional Differences   |                               | 1                 |  |  |
| 17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16)  | _                                |   | 50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49)   |                               | ·                 |  |  |
| PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT  |                                  |   | EQUITY  |                               |                   |  |  |
| 18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service   |                                  |   | 51. Cap. Stock Outstand. & Subscribed   |                               |                   |  |  |
| 19. Property Held for Future Use  |                                  |   | 52. Additional Paid-in-Capital  |                               |                   |  |  |
| 20. Plant Under Construction  |                                  |   | 53. Treasury Stock  |                               |                   |  |  |
| 21. Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill   |                                  |   | 54. Membership and Cap. Certificates  |                               |                   |  |  |
| 22. Less Accumulated Depreciation   |                                  |   | 55. Other Capital   |                               |                   |  |  |
| 23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)  |                                  |   | 56. Patronage Capital Credits   |                               |                   |  |  |
| 24. TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23)   |                                  |   | 57. Retained Earnings or Margins  |                               |                   |  |  |
| ` ,   |                                  |   | 58. Total Equity (51 thru 57)   |                               |                   |  |  |

59. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (35+46+50+58)

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#### PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS ITEM **PRIOR YEAR THIS YEAR** 1. Local Network Services Revenues Network Access Services Revenues Long Distance Network Services Revenues Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues Miscellaneous Revenues Uncollectible Revenues 6. 7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6) Plant Specific Operations Expense 9. Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation & Amortization) Depreciation Expense 11. Amortization Expense **Customer Operations Expense** Corporate Operations Expense Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13) Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14) Other Operating Income and Expenses State and Local Taxes Federal Income Taxes 19. Other Taxes 20. **Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)** Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20) Interest on Funded Debt Interest Expense - Capital Leases 24. Other Interest Expense 25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction 26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25) Nonoperating Net Income Extraordinary Items 29 Jurisdictional Differences 30. Nonregulated Net Income 31. Total Net Income or Margins (21+27+28+29+30-26) Total Taxes Based on Income 33 Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date Dividends Declared (Common) 36. Dividends Declared (Preferred) Other Debits Year-to-Date 38. Transfers to Patronage Capital Retained Earnings or Margins End-of-Period [(31+33+34) - (35+36+37+38)] Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year Transfers to Patronage Capital 42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42) Annual Debt Service Payments Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11) / 7] Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20+26) / 7] TIER [(31+26) / 26] DSCR [(31+26+10+11) / 44]

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|   | Part C. S     | UBSCRIBER (AC | CCESS LINE), ROUTE | MILE, & HIGH SPEE    | D DATA INFOR | MATION                     |       |
|---|---------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------|----------------------------|-------|
|   | 1. RA         | TES           | 2. SUBS            | CRIBERS (ACCESS LINI | ES)          | 3. ROUTE MILES             |       |
| EXCHANGE                                  | HANGE B-1 R-1 |               | BUSINESS           | RESIDENTIAL          | TOTAL        | TOTAL<br>(including fiber) | FIBER |
|   | (a)           | (b)           | (a)                | (b)                  | (c)          | (a)                        | (b)   |
| Blossom                                   |               |               |                    |                      |              |                            |       |
| MobileWireless                            |               |               |                    |                      |              |                            |       |
| Route Mileage<br>Outside Exchange<br>Area |               |               |                    |                      |              |                            |       |
| Total                                     |               |               |                    |                      |              |                            |       |
| No. Exchanges                             |               |               |                    |                      |              |                            |       |

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| Part C. SUBSCRIBER (ACCESS LINE), ROUTE MILE, & HIGH SPEED DATA INFORMATION |  |                                |                          |                                       |                                     |                  |                 |                       |  |  |  |
|---|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--|--|--|
|   | 4. BROADBAND SERVICE                     |                                |                          |                                       |                                     |                  |                 |                       |  |  |  |
|   |  |                                |                          | Detail                                | s on Least Expen                    | sive Broadband S | ervice          |                       |  |  |  |
| EXCHANGE  | No. Access Lines<br>with BB<br>available | No Of Broadband<br>Subscribers | Number Of<br>Subscribers | Advertised<br>Download Rate<br>(Kbps) | Advertised<br>Upload<br>Rate (Kbps) | Price Per Month  | Standalone/Pckg | Type Of<br>Technology |  |  |  |
|   | (a)                                      | (b)                            | (c)                      | (d)                                   | (e)                                 | (f)              | (f)             | (g)                   |  |  |  |
| Blossom   |  |                                |                          |                                       |                                     |                  |                 |                       |  |  |  |
| Total   |  |                                |                          |                                       |                                     |                  |                 |                       |  |  |  |

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| PART D. SYSTEM DATA                                       |                             |                            |                   |                           |                |                               |  |  |
| 1. No. Plant Employees                                    | 2. No. Other Employees      | 3. Square Miles Served     |                   | 4. Access Lines per Squar | re Mile        | 5. Subscribers per Route Mile |  |  |
|   |                             | PART E. TOLL               | DATA              |                           |                |                               |  |  |
| Study Area ID Code(s)                                     | 2. Types of                 | Toll Settlements (Check on | e)                |                           |                |                               |  |  |
| 5.00,7.000.2 5500(6)                                      | a. 442038                   |                            | Interstate:       | Average Schedul           | ρ.             | X Cost Basis                  |  |  |
|   | b.                          |                            | morotato.         |                           | o .            | Cook Buolo                    |  |  |
|   | с.                          |                            | Intrastate:       | Average Schedul           | е              | X Cost Basis                  |  |  |
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|   | j                           |                            |                   |                           |                |                               |  |  |
|   | PART                        | F. FUNDS INVESTED IN       | PLANT DURING YE   | AR                        |                |                               |  |  |
| 1. RUS, RTB, & FFB Loan Fur                               | nds Expended                |                            |                   |                           |                |                               |  |  |
| 2. Other Long-Term Loan Fund                              | ds Expended                 |                            |                   |                           |                |                               |  |  |
| 3. Funds Expended Under RU                                | S Interim Approval          |                            |                   |                           |                |                               |  |  |
| 4. Other Short-Term Loan Fun                              | ds Expended                 |                            |                   |                           |                |                               |  |  |
| 5. General Funds Expended (C                              | Other than Interim)         |                            |                   |                           |                |                               |  |  |
| Salvaged Materials  |                             |                            |                   |                           |                |                               |  |  |
| 7. Contribution in Aid to Construction                    |                             |                            |                   |                           |                |                               |  |  |
| 8. Gross Additions to Telecom                             | . Plant (1 thru 7)          |                            |                   |                           |                |                               |  |  |
| PART G. INVESTMENTS IN AFFILIATED COMPANIES               |                             |                            |                   |                           |                |                               |  |  |
|   |                             | CURRENT                    | CURRENT YEAR DATA |                           | CUMULATIVE D   |                               |  |  |
|   |                             |                            |                   | Cumulative                | Cumulative     |                               |  |  |
| INVESTMENTS   |                             | Investment                 | Income/Loss       | Investment                | Income/Loss    | Current                       |  |  |
|   |                             | This Year                  | This Year         | To Date                   | To Date        | Balance                       |  |  |
|   | (a)                         | (b)                        | (c)               | (d)                       | (e)            | (f)                           |  |  |
| <ol> <li>Investment in Affiliated Com</li> </ol>          | npanies - Rural Development |                            |                   |                           |                |                               |  |  |
| Investment in Affiliated Companies - Nonrural Development |                             |                            | , ,               | ,                         | ,              |                               |  |  |

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| PART H. CURRENT DEPRECIATION RATES  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Are corporation's depreciation rates approved by the regulatory authority   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| with jurisdiction over the provision of telephone services? (Check one)   | X YES NO             |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| EQUIPMENT CATEGORY  | DEPRECIATION RATE    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| . Land and support assets - Motor Vehicles  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Land and support assets - Aircraft   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Land and support assets - Special purpose vehicles  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Land and support assets - Garage and other work equipment   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. Land and support assets - Buildings  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6. Land and support assets - Furniture and Office equipment   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| /. Land and support assets - General purpose computers  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Central Office Switching - Digital   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Central Office Switching - Analog & Electro-mechanical  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Central Office Switching - Operator Systems   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Central Office Transmission - Radio Systems   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Central Office Transmission - Circuit equipment  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Information origination/termination - Station apparatus  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. Information origination/termination - Customer premises wiring   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. Information origination/termination - Large private branch exchanges   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6. Information origination/termination - Public telephone terminal equipment of the properties of the | ment                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <ul><li>7. Information origination/termination - Other terminal equipment</li><li>8. Cable and wire facilities - Poles</li></ul>  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cable and wire facilities - Poles     Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Metal  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Fiber  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Metal   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Fiber   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Metal  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 24. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Fiber  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25. Cable and wire facilities - Conduit systems   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 26. Cable and wire facilities - Other   |                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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PART I – STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

| 1.  | l. Beginning Cash (Cash and Equivalents plus RUS Construction Fund)  |  |  |
|-----|--|--|--|
|     | CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES   |  |  |
| 2.  | Net Income   |  |  |
|     | Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities                           |  |  |
| 3.  | Add: Depreciation  |  |  |
| 4.  | Add: Amortization  |  |  |
| 5.  | Other (Explain)  |  |  |
|     |  |  |  |
|     |  |  |  |
|     |  |  |  |
|     | Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities  |  |  |
| 6.  | Decrease/(Increase) in Accounts Receivable   |  |  |
| 7.  | Decrease/(Increase) in Materials and Inventory   |  |  |
| 8.  | Decrease/(Increase) in Prepayments and Deferred Charges  |  |  |
| 9.  | Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets  |  |  |
| 10. | Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable  |  |  |
| 11. | Increase/(Decrease) in Advance Billings & Payments   |  |  |
| 12. | Increase/(Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities   |  |  |
| 13. | Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operations   |  |  |
|     | CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES   |  |  |
| 14. | Decrease/(Increase) in Notes Receivable  |  |  |
| 15. | Increase/(Decrease) in Notes Payable   |  |  |
| 16. | Increase/(Decrease) in Customer Deposits   |  |  |
| 17. | Net Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debt (Including Current Maturities)                                   |  |  |
| 18. | Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits  |  |  |
| 19. | Increase/(Decrease) in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certificates & Other Capital |  |  |
| 20. | Less: Payment of Dividends   |  |  |
| 21. | Less: Patronage Capital Credits Retired  |  |  |
| 22. | Other (Explain)  |  |  |
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| 23. | Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities   |  |  |
|     | CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES   |  |  |
| 24. | Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment)   |  |  |
| 25. | Other Long-Term Investments  |  |  |
| 26. | Other Noncurrent Assets & Jurisdictional Differences   |  |  |
| 27. | Other (Explain)  |  |  |
|     | Reconciling Adjustments Including Plant Retirements  |  |  |
|     |  |  |  |
| _   |  |  |  |
| 28. | Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities   |  |  |
| 29. | Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash  |  |  |
| 30. | Ending Cash  |  |  |

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